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First Army Newcomers

Congratulations on your assignment to First Army! We're excited that you are joining the First Army Team. These are challenging times for our Army and Nation. Our role remains vital as the Army continues to adjust to meet current and future challenges. I am confident you will find the work at First Army challenging and gratifying.

First Army's mission is to advise, assist and train our Nation's Reserve Component units during pre-mobilization periods. We conduct mobilization, training support, readiness validation, and deployment of alerted forces, and execute demobilization of Reserve Component forces in accordance with Army and Forces Command directives. First Army provides trained and ready forces in support of all our combatant commanders worldwide. As directed, we also provide training to Joint, Combined, Interagency, and Active Army Forces.

A designated sponsor will contact you shortly and assist you by providing information about the local area and your in-processing. Please feel free to contact Mr. Ruben Acosta, G-1 Strength Management Division, 309-782-9495, DSN 793-9495, or email ruben.acosta.civ@mail.mil with any questions or concerns you might have. For more information on First Army, visit our web site at: www.firstarmy.mil or visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/firstarmy.

Again, on behalf of the entire First Army team, welcome!

Sincerely,

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